

# SC Annual School **Report Card** Summary

**York Comprehensive High School** 

YORK 1

Grades: 9-12 **Enrollment: 1,472** 

**Principal: Christopher Black** 

**Superintendent: Dr Vernon Prosser Board Chair: M. Betty Johnson** 

**PERFORMANCE** 

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	<b>GROWTH RATING</b>	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			<b>General Performance</b>	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	В	N/A
2013	Excellent	Excellent	GOLD	GOLD	D	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	GOLD	N/A	В	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	<b>BELOW AVERAGE</b>	AT-RISK
28	12	2	1	4

<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

#### HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS **High Schools with Our High School Students Like Ours** 2013 2014 2013 2014 Passed 2 subtests (%) 75.6% 86.3% 80.6% 80.8% Passed 1 subtest (%) 9.1% 12.7% 12.4% 16.1% Passed no subtests (%) 4.7% 6.7% 6.8% 8.5%

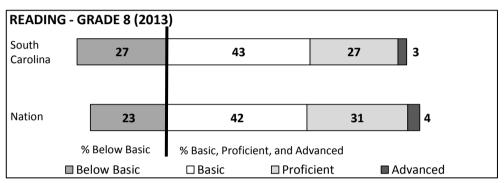
HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014				
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Passage Rate	94.5%	90.7%		

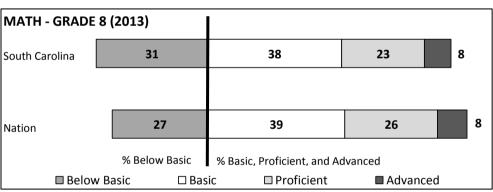
ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE				
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Number of students	344	250		
Number of diplomas	282	191		
Rate (%)	82.0%	75.1%		

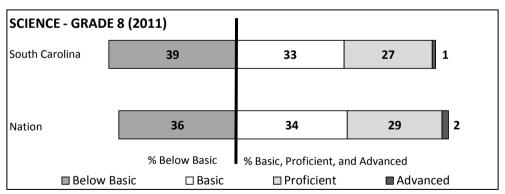
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	82.0%	82.1%			
English 1	69.3%	72.7%			
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	83.1%	78.2%			
US History and the Constitution	77.4%	62.2%			
All Tests	78.3%	72.5%			

### NAEP\*

\*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







#### **SC PERFORMANCE VISION**

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

## **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n = 1,472)				
Retention Rate	2.7%	Up from 2.4%	2.9%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	95.7%	Up from 95.2%	96.3%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	8.3%	Up from 7.9%	19.6%	17.7%
With disabilities	11.7%	Up from 11.6%	11.5%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	6.6%	Up from 6.5%	7.0%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.8%	1.1%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	8.5%	Up from 7.4%	16.8%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	70.2%	Up from 54.0%	54.2%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	59.7%	Down from 63.8%	32.3%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	0.0%	No change	3.5%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	375	Up from 173	429	423
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	95.4%	Up from 92.4%	83.4%	84.5%
Annual dropout rate	2.4%	Up from 1.7%	2.7%	2.1%
Teachers (n = 78)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.1%	Down from 74.3%	67.2%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	93.6%	Up from 90.5%	82.1%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	94.1%	Up from 91.5%	88.0%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	94.4%	Down from 95.6%	95.5%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,658	Up 1.5%	\$49,373	\$48,414
Classes not taught by higly qualified teachers	1.3%	Down from 2.1%	1.5%	3.0%
Professional development days/teacher	1.5 days	Down from 8.7 days	10.6 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 11.0	4.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.4 to 1	Up from 28.3 to 1	27.8 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.3%	Down from 90.1%	90.5%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,527	Up 3.4%	\$7,924	\$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	54.8%	Up from 54.0%	57.0%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	55.7%	Up from 55.0%	58.5%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No change	98.2%	98.7%
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	89.3	Up from 69.8	85.3	84.1

<sup>\*</sup> Length of contract = 185+ days.

#### **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	66	265	112
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.4%	87.6%	88.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.0%	90.6%	88.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	82.1%	89.5%	72.9%

<sup>\*</sup> Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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#### **REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL**

York Comprehensive High School continued its commitment to excellence focusing on higher levels of student learning and achievement while ensuring a "college going and career-readiness" culture. As a result of expanding opportunities and improving performance, YCHS was recognized as a Palmetto Gold recipient for ExcellentAbsolute Rating and Growth Rating on the state report card.

The driving force behind this year's success was once again our mission statement: "Working with the community, we will provide a diverse, innovative education in a safe environment enabling students to become responsible citizens in a global society." As in prior years, we are thankful for the strong unified support of our community, parents and school board. This is evidenced by our state of the art high school which includes a performing arts center, an athletic complex and The Floyd D. Johnson TechnologyCenter.

YCHS has continued to make our vision, "Building the foundation for tomorrow by sparking potential and inspiring success", a reality. The Class of 2014 set the pace for high levels of academic achievement. Eight seniors received SC Academic Honor Awards and Forty-eight seniors were honor graduates. One hundred seventynineseniors were potential Life Scholarship recipients. Nineteen received PalmettoFellows. Seventy-seven seniors received a Diploma with Distinction. For theseventeenth consecutive year, our NJROTC was recognized as a Distinguished Unit. Concert Choir, Chamber Singers, and Women's Choir earned 5 of the 6 awards at this year's All-State Chorus. No other school has ever achieved that success. World language students received National and state recognition. The band won the SCBDA "Outstanding Performance Award". Close to \$8 million in scholarships was offered toour seniors with approximately ten athletes receiving scholarships.

The YCHS 100% highly qualified faculty and staff realigned the curriculum to focus on common core state standards incorporating a framework for meeting individual graduation plans. In addition, mentors were provided to each student thru "PRIDE", an advisor/advisee program while an academic reinforcement center offered studentsextra-time and extra help. Strategies to improve student performance on HSAP, EOC, COMPASS, WORKKEYS and SAT/ACT including embedded professional development on common core standards, were also implemented. Additionally, YCHS intensified its commitment to provide a safe and secure environment by the continued use of random drug dog searches, professional development on safe schools and implementation of new "best safety" procedures. YCHS provides a diverse and innovative education for our students to become responsible citizens in a global society. Please visit our website for additional information. www.york.k12.sc.us

Christopher Black, Principal Chair

Austin Dawkins, SIC

**Abbreviations Key** 

<sup>\*\*</sup>Prior year audited financial data available.